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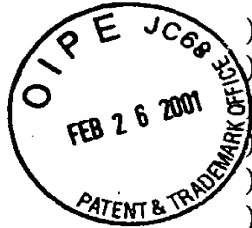
In re Patent Application of

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Sir:

This Amendment responds to the Office Action dated October 24, 2000 (Paper No. 8). ~~Concurrently filed with this Amendment is a Petition for Extension of Time for a one-month period.~~ Please amend the above-noted application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claims 1, 5, and 14-20 and add new claims 21-25 as follows:

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1. ~~(Amended)~~ A data processing device comprising:
- an instruction decoder for sequentially decoding a plurality of instructions described in a program sequence and outputting [a] control [signal] signals respectively corresponding to the instructions, and
 - an instruction execution unit for executing operations respectively designated by said plurality of instructions in accordance with said control signal [outputted] output from said instruction decoder, wherein